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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicants have received the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance (the "Statement") with the March 18, 2008 Notice of Allowance and Notice of Allowability for the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully submit that, to the extent the Statement deviates from the claims, as allowed, in its characterization of the invention, the language of the claims controls. Each of the claims stands on its own merits and Applicants do not acquiesce to any narrowing language beyond the specific language of the claims. In addition, entry of the Statement into the record should not be construed as any agreement with or acquiescence in the reasoning stated by the Examiner.

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